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## Official Program

### 20TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND LODGE Knights of Pythias OF MISSOURI,

July 19th, at 11:30 a. m., Calling the Assembly to order by Sir A. W. Lloyd, Grand Chancellor.

#### PROGRAMME.

Welcome to City by his honor, T. W. Cunningham, Mayor of Joplin.

Response, Dr. S. P. Stafford, St. Louis.

Song, by Pythian Choir.

Welcome on behalf of Orient Lodge No. 11, by N. T. Greene, D. D. G. C.

Response, Prof. W. A. Grunnell, G. K. of R. and S., of De Soto.

Song, by Pythian Choir.

Welcome on behalf of the citizens of Joplin, Rev. H. H. Curtis, D. D. G. C.

Response, Lewis Woods, editor Rising Sun, Kansas City.

Welcome on behalf of Churches, Rev. S. S. Pitcher.

Response, Rev. F. D. Avant, of Clarksville.

Paper on Pythianism, Prof. B. F. Adams, G. M. at Arms, Springfield.

Song, by Pythian Choir.

Welcome on behalf of the Courts of Calanthe, Sister Dysee Scales, P. W. C.

Response by Sister Anna Durroh, of Kansas City, Mo.

After the informal gathering the Grand Lodge will proceed to business in the following order:

1. Opening of the Grand Lodge in due form under the auspices of Orient Lodge No. 11.

2. Calling roll of Grand Lodge officers and representatives, reading proclamation and appointing committees on credentials.

3. Recess to await the report of credentials committee.

4. Calling Grand Lodge to Order, and reports of committee on credentials; conferring past chancellor's degree, and reports of grand lodge officers.

5. Presentation of resolutions, appeals and grievances.

TUESDAY EVENING — Trolley Party to Lake Side Park—from 6 to 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY—Routine Business.

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THURSDAY—Routine Business.

THURSDAY EVENING—Banquet. Exhibition drill by Uniform Companies in Joplin. Also individual competitive drill in the sword manual open to any Sir Knight in attendance, for a handsome prize to be offered by the local lodge.

W. A. GUNNELL, G. K. of R. & S.  
A. W. LLOYD, G. C.

To Our Correspondents.  
Please send in your matter by Wednesday of each week.

We call the attention of all patriotic race-lovers to the advertisement of the grand 1st of August celebration at Stewart's Park, Kansas City, Kansas, which takes place on Monday, Aug. 1st. A number of superb attractions will be the order of the day; among them is one conducted by the Rising Sun, viz: the popular ladies' contest. Get your affairs arranged to attend this celebration and enjoy a day of pleasure and enjoyment.

#### LEXINGTON NEWS.

Quarterly meeting was held at St. John M. E. church Sunday. Presiding Elder Smith could not attend the quarterly meeting. He sent the pastor of Slater. He preached morning and evening. Everyone was pleased with his preaching.

Misses Jackson, L. St. Clair, A. Johnson, E. Raglan, who have been here visiting have returned back to their home at Independence, Mo.

The Grand Master of Masons A. R. Chinn, visited the Dickson lodge No. 11 Saturday night and left Sunday morning.

S. T. Pettigrew, Grand Master of the U. B. F's and the S. M. T's will be here on the 19th.

A mass meeting of the colored Republicans will be held at St. John's M. E. church, Monday, the 18th, for the purpose of organizing a Roosevelt club also to attend to other important business. Every colored Republican is asked to be present. By order of the committee.

Mr. Wm. Hunter is still in the restaurant and grocery business. Every one ought to patronize him.

Mr. Alex. Williams and wife left Saturday for Kansas City to make that their future home.

Mrs. Watson of Kansas City came down Saturday night to spend a week with Mrs. A. W. Walker, Mrs. Gates and other friends. Mrs. Nancy Gates is here visiting too.

Mrs. Eva Hawkins died Saturday morning and was buried Sunday morning by the Sons and Daughters of Frederick Douglas. She was a member of the Second Baptist church. The funeral was preached by Rev. W. C. Howell. She leaves two sons, two sisters and one brother and a host of other relatives to mourn her loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Booker spent the Fourth of July in Sedalia visiting their daughter, Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. Gilbert spent a few days in Higginsville last week.

Mr. Read Wilson spent Sunday in Independence.

Mr. James Busch of Independence was here last Sunday visiting Mrs. Talbot, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Hayden.

Mr. Penn Hawkins of Independence was here Sunday.

Mr. John Mysure of Odessa was here attending the funeral Sunday also Mr. Monday of Mayview.

Every member of the Republican League are asked to be out Monday night to elect a delegate to send to St. Joseph. This is the year that every colored man should do all they can to elect the Republican ticket. If we have any political friends they are in that party we should try to sustain it.

The Old Men's club will meet Saturday evening at 3 o'clock at the Second Baptist church by order of the President, George Walker.

Mrs. Mary Walker came down from Kansas City Saturday to visit her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Walker.

Mr. Hearte is still working on the bridge question and we hope he will succeed in getting it. A bridge would be a great help to our city. The colored people ought to take the same interest as the whites in proportion with their wealth.

NEGROES AT THE WORLD'S FAIR

For the convenience of colored visitors an "Information Bureau" has been established. With it are associated many of the best homes and hotels in St. Louis.

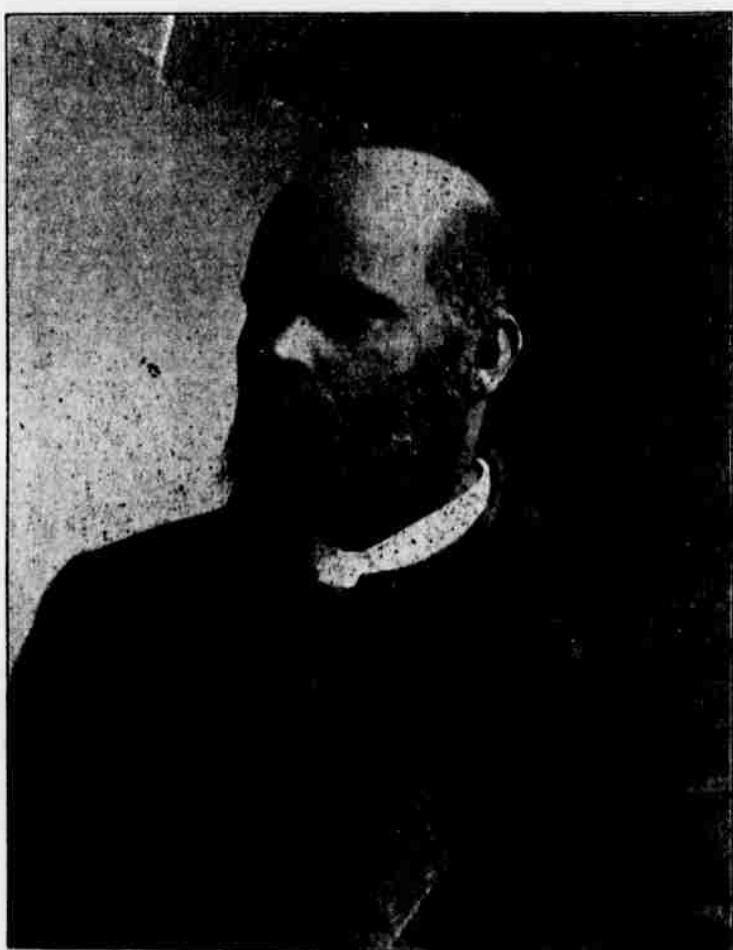
Have your room reserved. Stamp for reply.

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1923 Market St., St. Louis, Mo.  
Opposite Union Station.



HON. W. S. DILKEY

is being urged to allow his name to go before the convention as state chairman.—No better timber could be had.—(See fourth page.)



BISHOP A. GRANT, D. D.

Of the Fifth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church.  
(See fourth page.)



REV. JESSE F. PECK,  
Pastor of Allen Chapel.

#### Pickpockets Had Been Busy.

A London city missionary who worked in the slums of a certain district and was well known to the thieves that swarmed there began his service one day with the words: "I think I know which of you stole Mr. —'s gold watch yesterday, and I shall be glad if you will send it back to me before noon to-morrow." He made no threat, and, indeed, spoke very gently. The next day he received eight gold watches!

#### Canadian Wheat Territory.

The possibilities of wheat raising are much greater in the Canadian provinces and territories than in the United States. The area suitable for wheat culture is much larger and the yield to the acre is twenty-five bushels, while in the United States it is only fourteen and one-half bushels. In Athabasca and Mackenzie spring wheat matures in 101 to 108 days, owing to the length of the summer day in that latitude.



THE LATE COL. W. W. MORGAN.

In the death of W. W. Morgan last Thursday evening, the people have lost a tried and true friend. Mr. Morgan was an ambitious man and a generous man. He never withheld his support from any man he thought worthy.

Col. Morgan assisted the churches, political clubs, as well as private individuals, who sorry to say, sometimes took advantage of his generosity and had much to do with that lack of confidence in many things, that once was one of his strongest characteristics.

#### PYTHIANISM IN MISSOURI.

Springfield, Mo., July 4, 1904.  
Editor Rising Sun:

Dear Sir and Brother:—As you are desirous of saying some good things about "Pythianism in Missouri" through your columns I thought it in keeping with my calling and ambition to give you an article on the work and order generally. "Pythianism" seems only a synonym for friendship, patriotism, progression and expansion; this is fully demonstrated in the marvelous growth of the order in this state during the past four or five years. This growth has been almost phenomenal, yet it seems evident that it will be permanent and substantial. The order has more than quadrupled itself within the past four years, and has established a permanent "Endowment Fund" which is the wonder and admiration of both friends and enemies—think of an institution so young as the "Knights of Pythias" with all the other secret societies arrayed against it building up a bona fide "Endowment Fund" such as we are now operating so successfully—more than \$21,838.46 collected within the past four years. And every legal death claim and other obligation adjusted and truly this is a magnificent showing—but these figures do not cover the entire amount received and paid out on deaths since the order was first established in Mo. The collections have reached nearly \$40,000 not including the general fund, and amount given to distressed members and for charity. This statement alone commends itself to every intelligent and unbiased negro in the state. Yes and more, it commends itself to our white brothers who have the highest regard for the principles of Pythianism—the society of progress and expansion; Pythianism is destined to do for the race what no other secret organization has yet ever done—establish beyond question, the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." For the order has but one aim, one result—the elevation, the happiness, the betterment of mankind, and the negro must prove himself a worthy Pythian in this cause. But whence all this excitement and enthusiasm born of late in Pythian circles? Who is pushing the order so successfully? The answer comes spontaneously from more than 3,500 Pythians in Missouri pointing to that intrepid and determined "Piebald"

leader of the Pythian cohorts, Aaron W. Lloyd, G. C. of the domain of Missouri. He is truly a Pythian leader, a practical organizer, a good financier. The order has had several strong executives all of which have done good work and led the order very successfully, but none have been a match for Bro. A. W. Lloyd in the work of organizing and spreading the order—think of it, from 18 lodges 4 years ago to 50 lodges now with a bonafide membership of 3,500 Pythian Knights and still they come; Rev. Moses Dickson was a great leader—the greatest Negro organizer that ever lived—he was a born leader and has left for himself an undying monument in the perpetuity of that great institution known as the "Knights and daughters of Tabor." Booker T. Washington is also a great organizer—a practical educator; so is A. W. Lloyd an organizer, a leader of his race. Bro. Lloyd is somewhat of a politician and being G. C. of the order in Missouri, he is in a position to do much for the race politically. He is now building for himself a monument, not of marble or of brass and stone which will crumble and decay, but he is building in the hearts of his countrymen, Pythian circles, making foot-prints in the "sands of time," foot-prints that will transcend to succeeding generations and perpetuate his memory in disseminating the principles of Pythianism as taught in our "Castle Hall" and exemplified in the lives and characters of loyal and patriotic Brother Knights whom he has helped to learn the great lessons of friendship, charity and benevolence. Truly Bro. Aaron W. Lloyd is a practical organizer, a typical Pythian, one who is "doing notable things—not dreaming them out." Long may he live to bless mankind and promote Pythianism. The order at Springfield is growing rapidly and getting some splendid material. The ministers of the various churches are turning their attention to the order and saying good things about us; our lodge has a newly-fitted hall and the members are more enthused than they have been for several years. Quite a number contemplate attending the Grand Lodge session at Joplin, and by the way, Mr. Editor, this session promises to be a big meeting, too. Springfield may run an excursion to Joplin on the 21st. "On to Joplin" is the watchword. More anon.

H. F. Adams,  
G. M. Ala.

#### Art of Michael Angelo.

A wooden crucifix, said to be one of the earliest examples of Michael Angelo's work, has been discovered in the Church of the Spirito, Florence, by Professor Henry Thode of Heidelberg university.

#### Good Rule for Argument.

It is an excellent rule to be observed in all disputes that we should give soft words and hard arguments; that we should not so much strive to vex as to convince an enemy.—Bishop Wilkins.

#### His Reward the Workhouse.

The village of Neumuhlen (Westphalia) boasts of a laborer who has been working on the same farm for seventy-eight years. He is now retiring into the workhouse.

#### Serious Indictment.

In an English police court recently a witness described a prisoner as having been "speechless drunk and swearing horribly."

#### Greek Population Increases.

The population of Greece is increasing more rapidly than that of any other country in Europe at present.

#### Opens Doors to Women.

Tubingen is the latest of the German universities to open its doors to women.